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Remarks

The Office communication dated August 5, 2005, requires restriction under 35 U.S.C. §121, to one of the following invention groups:

- I. Claims 1 to 4, drawn to a receptor polypeptide, classified in class 530, subclass 350.
- II. Claims 5 to 12 and 14, in so far as they are drawn to an isolated polynucleotide, vector, host cell and method of use, classified in class 435, subclass 69.1.
- III. Claims 13 and 14, in so far as they are drawn to an antibody, classified in class 530, subclass 388.22
- IV. Claim 15, drawn to a receptor binding assay, classified in class 435, subclass 7.21.
- V. Claims 16 and 17, drawn to a modulator of unspecified constitution, classification undeterminable.
- VI. Claim 18, drawn to a transgenic animal, classified in class 800, subclass 2.

Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group II, as stated above and further explained in the Office communication, for prosecution on the merits.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee or credit any overpayment in connection with this Communication to our Deposit Account 23-0455.

If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 734-622-3831.

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